December 1, 2004

TO: Members of the MAG Enhancement Funds Working Group

FROM: Vice Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix, Co-Chair

Mike Hutchinson, Mesa, Co-Chair

SUBJECT: MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA

Friday, December 10, 2004, 9:00 a.m. MAG Office, Suite 200, Cholla Room 302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Enhancement Funds Working Group (EFWG) will be held at the time and place noted above. Please park in the garage under the building. Bring your ticket to the meeting as parking will be validated. Bicycles can be locked in the rack at the entrance to the parking garage.

Members of the MAG Enhancement Funds Working Group may attend **in person, via videoconference or by telephone conference call**. Those attending by videoconference must notify the MAG office three business days prior to the meeting. Those attending by telephone conference call are requested to call (602) 261-7510 between 8:55 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. on the date of the meeting. After the prompt, please enter the meeting ID number 3394 (EFWG) on the telephone keypad followed by the pound key. If you have a problem or require assistance, dial 0 after calling the number above.

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Please be advised that under procedures adopted by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership, or five members of the MAG Enhancement Funds Working Group. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ken Hall at (602) 254-6300.

TENTATIVE AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. <u>Approval of the Draft June 29, 2004</u> <u>Meeting Minutes of the Enhancement</u> <u>Funds Working Group</u>
- 3. Call to the Audience

An opportunity will be provided to members of the public to address the Enhancement Funds Working Group on items not scheduled on the agenda that fall under the jurisdiction of MAG, or on items on the agenda for discussion but not for action. Citizens will be requested not to exceed a three minute time period for their comments. A total of 15 minutes will be provided for the Call to the Audience agenda item, unless the Enhancement Funds Working Group requests an exception to this limit.

4. <u>Staff Report</u>

MAG Staff will comment on current items of interest

COMMITTEE ACTION REQUESTED

- 2. Approve Draft minutes of the June 29, 2004 meeting.
- 3. For information and discussion.

4. For information and discussion.

ITEMS TO BE HEARD

5. Round XII Results and Recommendations of the Transportation Enhancement Review Committee

MAG Staff will provide an overview of Round XII project results, as recommended for approval by the Transportation Enhancement Review 5. For information and discussion.

Committee. Staff will address MAG projects that were submitted for consideration of funding approval, and will also provide an overview of state, local and cumulative project funding. Please refer to the information summary provided in Attachment One.

6. <u>Issues to Discuss at the January 11, 2005,</u>
<u>Transportation Enhancement Review</u>
<u>Committee Meeting</u>

At the October 2004 meeting of the Transportation Enhancement Review Committee, there were a number of key issues that were addressed by the Committee which could potentially result in a number of programmatic changes at the state and COG/MPO level. The Working Group will address a number of topics that are scheduled for discussion at the upcoming meeting of the Transportation Enhancement Review Committee, scheduled for January 11, 2005. Specific issues of concern that are to be addressed include the following:

- Possible Revisions to the Transportation Enhancement Program's 12 Eligible Activities
- Potential Dollar limits on State and Local Projects
- Review of Application Evaluation Criteria
- MPO/COG Ranking Process
- Limiting Number of Applications
- Application Length
- Cost Estimate Revisions

6. For information and discussion.

- Power Point Presentations at the TERC Annual Meeting
- Public Input at the TERC Annual Meeting
- Visitor Center Criteria (With Regards to Scenic Byways)
- State Wide Project Submittals and Presentations
- Tree Costs
- Membership of the TERC
 - Who Votes
 - Voting Policy
 - Alternate or Proxy Policy

7. <u>Next Meeting Date</u>

Members of the Working Group will be informed of the next regularly scheduled meeting upon the completion of a forthcoming program schedule in early-2005. The completed schedule will detail key dates for the upcoming Round XIII Transportation Enhancement funding process.

7. For Information and Discussion.